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Notation and basic relations

ρ mass density of fluid
 V specific volume = $\frac{1}{\rho}$
 p static pressure
 R gas constant (defined for unit mass)
 T absolute temperature
 C_p specific heat at constant pressure (for unit mass)
 C_v specific heat at constant volume (for unit mass)
 h enthalpy = $C_p T$ (defined for unit mass)
 ΔS_T change in entropy = $\int_{T_1}^{T_2} \frac{dQ}{T}$
 m mass
 J mechanical equivalent of heat
 γ ratio of specific heats at constant pressure and
 constant volume
 E modulus of elasticity
 Q added heat energy per unit mass
 W work done by external forces on unit mass
 x, y rectangular coordinates
 $i = \sqrt{-1}$
 z complex variable = $x + iy$
 ϕ velocity potential
 ψ stream function
 u, v components of fluid velocity parallel to rectangular
 axes of x and y (redefined for polar coordinates)

ω angular velocity
 α angular acceleration

Subscripts

o stagnation point
 s free stream
 l local point in flow
 t throat section (minimum cross section)
 i incompressible flow
 m maximum value of variable
 cr critical value of variable (defined in text)
 $1,2$ any two values of the variable

No subscript, any point in the flow

1. General gas law

2. Heat transfer at constant pressure or volume (specific heats)

(b) At constant pressure: $dQ = C_p m dT = C_v m dT + \frac{p d(mv)}{J}$

$$(a) \quad C_p - C_v = \frac{R}{J}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{C_p - C_v}{C_v} = \frac{R}{JC_v}; \quad \frac{C_p}{C_v} = \gamma; \quad C_v = \frac{R}{J(\gamma-1)}$$

$$(c) \quad C_p T = C_v T + \frac{pV}{J}$$

(d) $h = C_p T = \text{enthalpy}$

$$(e) \quad h = \frac{RT}{J(\gamma-1)} + \frac{pV}{J} = \frac{pV}{J(\gamma-1)} + \frac{pV}{J}$$

$$(f) \quad h = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p}{\rho J} : \quad \text{or } mh = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{mp}{\rho J} \quad (\text{for mass } m; \quad h = \text{enthalpy for unit mass})$$

(a) Equation in differential form

$$mJC_v dT + mpdV + mdW + mJdQ + m\frac{dw^2}{2} = \text{constant}$$

(b) Integrated expression for unit mass

$$J C_v T_1 + p_1 V_1 + W + JQ + \frac{w_1^2}{2} = J C_v T_2 + p_2 V_2 + \frac{w_2^2}{2}$$

$$\text{or } Jh_1 + W + JQ + \frac{w_1^2}{2} = Jh_2 + \frac{w_2^2}{2}$$

(c) Energy equation for adiabatic flow ($W = Q = 0$)

$$Jh_1 + \frac{w_1^2}{2} = Jh_2 + \frac{w_2^2}{2}$$

(d) Energy equation for adiabatic flow involving stagnation ($w_0 = 0$)

$$J_{h_0} = J_h + \frac{w^2}{2}$$

or $w^2 = 2J(h_0 - h)$

and $w_{\max}^2 = 2Jh_0$

$$w_t^2 = a_t^2 = 2J \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1} h_o$$

also $\frac{\gamma p_o V_o}{\gamma - 1} = \frac{\gamma p V}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{w^2}{2}$

$$\text{or } \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_0}{\rho_0} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{w^2}{2}$$

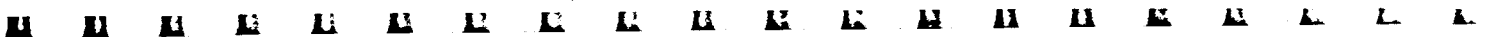
5. Isentropic flow relations

$$\frac{T_1}{T_2} = \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \right)^{\gamma-1} = \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}$$

$$\frac{p_1}{p_2} = \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} \right)^\gamma$$

6. Other useful relations

(a) Adiabatic temperature rise

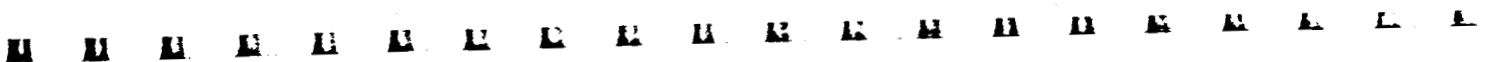


1. Methods of derivation

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{|E|}{\rho}}$$
$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = a^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}$$
$$n^2 = \frac{dp}{d\rho}$$

(a) Substitution of the bulk modulus

$$\frac{dp}{dp} = a^2 \quad \text{as in 1(b)}$$

$$a = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_p}{\rho}}$$
$$a = \sqrt{\frac{p}{\rho}}$$


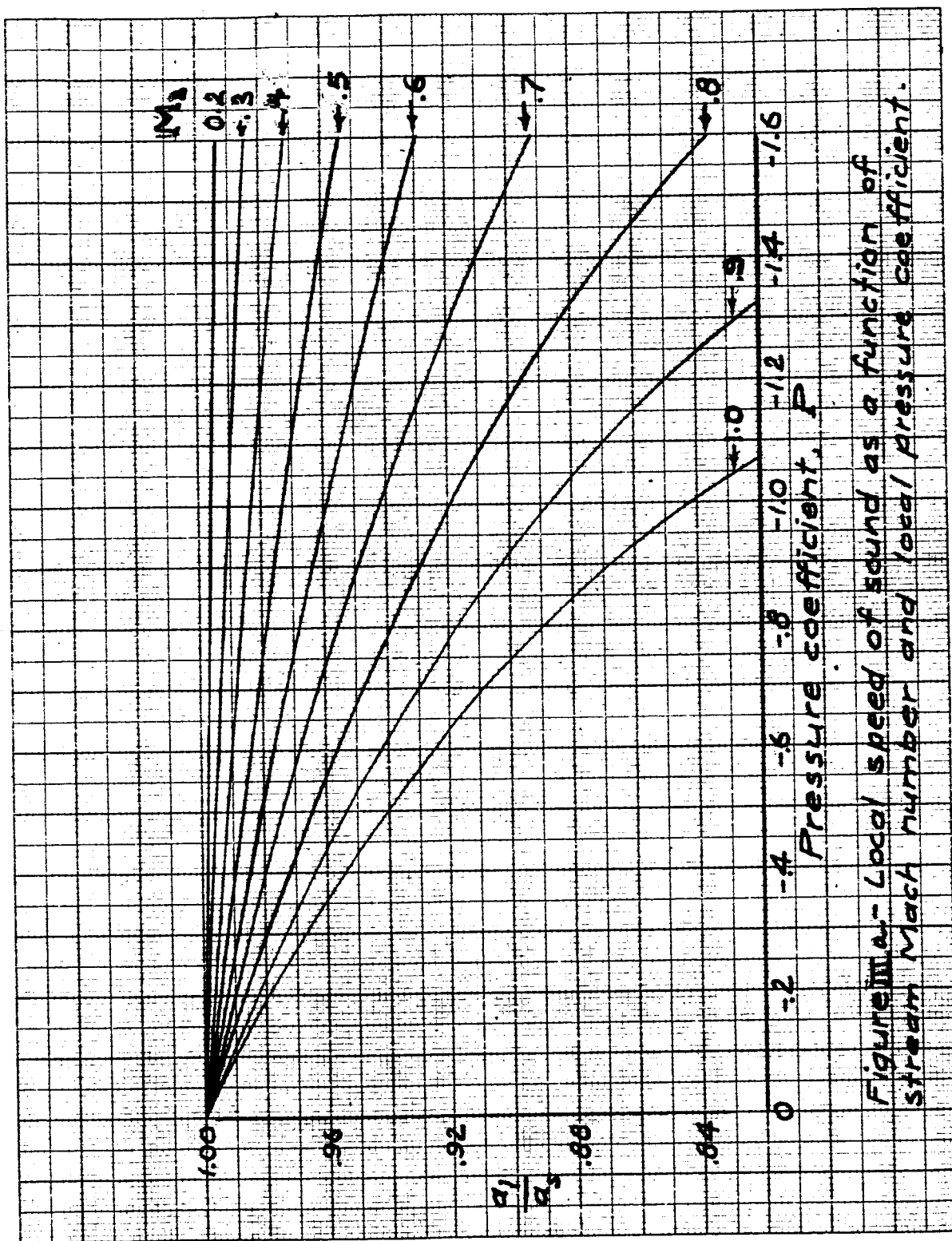
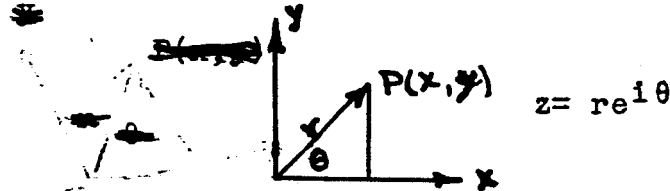


Figure IIIa - Local speed of sound as a function of stream Mach number and local pressure coefficient.

1. Complex variable and potential function

the complex coordinate of $P(x,y)$ is given by



The potential function $f(z) = \phi + i\psi$ permits representation of any irrotational motion in ~~any~~ one equation and has the property $\frac{df(z)}{dz} = u - iv$

The relation $\xi = z + \frac{a^2}{z}$ maps the circle of radius a with its center at the origin of the z plane into the line segment $(-2a, 0; 2a, 0)$ in the ξ plane. The circles concentric with the circle of radius a are transformed into a family of confocal ellipses with common foci at $(-2a, 0)$ and $(2a, 0)$. If $R(>a)$ denotes the radius of one of these circles, then the semimajor and semiminor axes of the ellipse into which it is transformed are, respectively, $R + \frac{a^2}{R}$ and $R - \frac{a^2}{R}$; the thickness ratio becomes

$$t = \frac{R - \frac{a^2}{R}}{R + \frac{a^2}{R}} = \frac{1 - \sigma^2}{1 + \sigma^2}; \quad \sigma = \frac{a}{R}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} - X\right) \frac{\partial x}{\partial a} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - Y\right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial a} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} - Z\right) \frac{\partial z}{\partial a} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial a} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} - X\right) \frac{\partial x}{\partial b} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - Y\right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial b} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} - Z\right) \frac{\partial z}{\partial b} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial b} = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial t^2} - X\right) \frac{\partial x}{\partial c} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - Y\right) \frac{\partial y}{\partial c} + \left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} - Z\right) \frac{\partial z}{\partial c} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial c} = 0$$

3. Equations of motion for two dimensional steady motion
in polar coordinates

$$(a) \quad \begin{cases} u \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{v}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} - \frac{v^2}{r} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} \\ u \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{v}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} + \frac{uv}{r} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{r \partial \theta} \end{cases}$$

By means of the relations $v = \omega r$, $\frac{\partial r}{\partial t} = u$, and

$$a = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t}$$

the equations 3(a) become

$$(b) \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - r\omega^2 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r}$$

$$2u\omega + ra = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{r \partial \theta}$$

Where $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ is the time derivative of the velocity as the particle moves along a streamline and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ is zero at any fixed point in the flow (steady motion condition).

4. Equation of motion in one dimension with no extraneous forces ($X = Y = Z = 0$).

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dp}{dp} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} = 0$$

in which p is a unique function of ρ

5. The Bernoulli equation

A. Differential forms

- (a) Simplification of Euler's equations by considering one-dimensional steady motion with $X = Y = Z = 0$ yields

$$\frac{dp}{\rho} + w dw = 0$$

where flow in a stream tube is considered and w is the magnitude of the resultant velocity as defined under notation.

- (b) Differential equation expressed in terms of velocity of sound

$$a^2 \frac{dp}{\rho} + w dw = 0$$

or $\frac{2}{\gamma-1} a da + w dw = 0$

B. Integrated forms of the Bernoulli equation

- (c) General Bernoulli equation for compressible flow

$$\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_1}{\rho_1} + \frac{w_1^2}{2} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_2}{\rho_2} + \frac{w_2^2}{2} = \text{constant}$$



and with $\gamma = 1.4$, the compressibility factor

$$F = \frac{p_0 - p}{\frac{1}{2}\rho w^2}$$

becomes

$$1 + \frac{1}{4}M^2 + \frac{1}{40}M^4 + \dots$$

(g) Expressions for the velocity at any point along a streamline

Upon integration of 5(b) there is obtained

$$w^2 = \frac{2}{\gamma-1} (a_0^2 - a^2)$$

or

$$w = a_0 \sqrt{\frac{2}{\gamma-1} \left[1 - \left(\frac{p}{p_0} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right]}$$

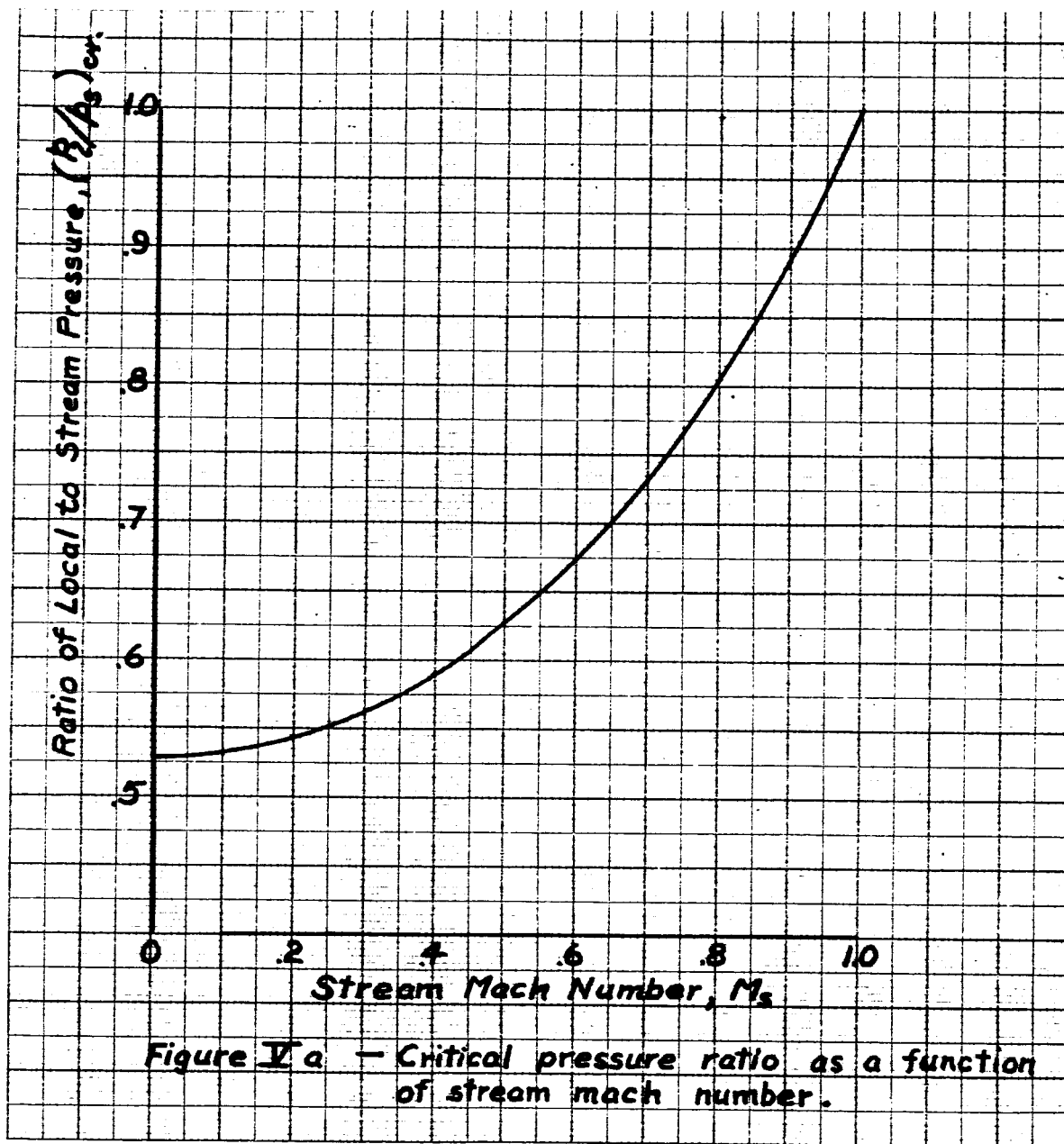
(h) The maximum attainable velocity is given by (expansion to zero pressure)

$$w_m^2 = \frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p}{\rho} + w^2 = \frac{2a^2}{\gamma-1} + w^2$$

(j) The Bernoulli equation in pressure coefficient form

$$\frac{p_l - p_s}{\frac{1}{2}\rho_s w_s^2} = C_p = \frac{2}{\gamma M_s^2} \left[1 - \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \left(\frac{w_l^2}{w_s^2} - 1 \right) M_s^2 \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} - \frac{2}{\gamma M_s^2}$$

(k) Expression for velocity ratio in terms of pressure coefficient and stream Mach number



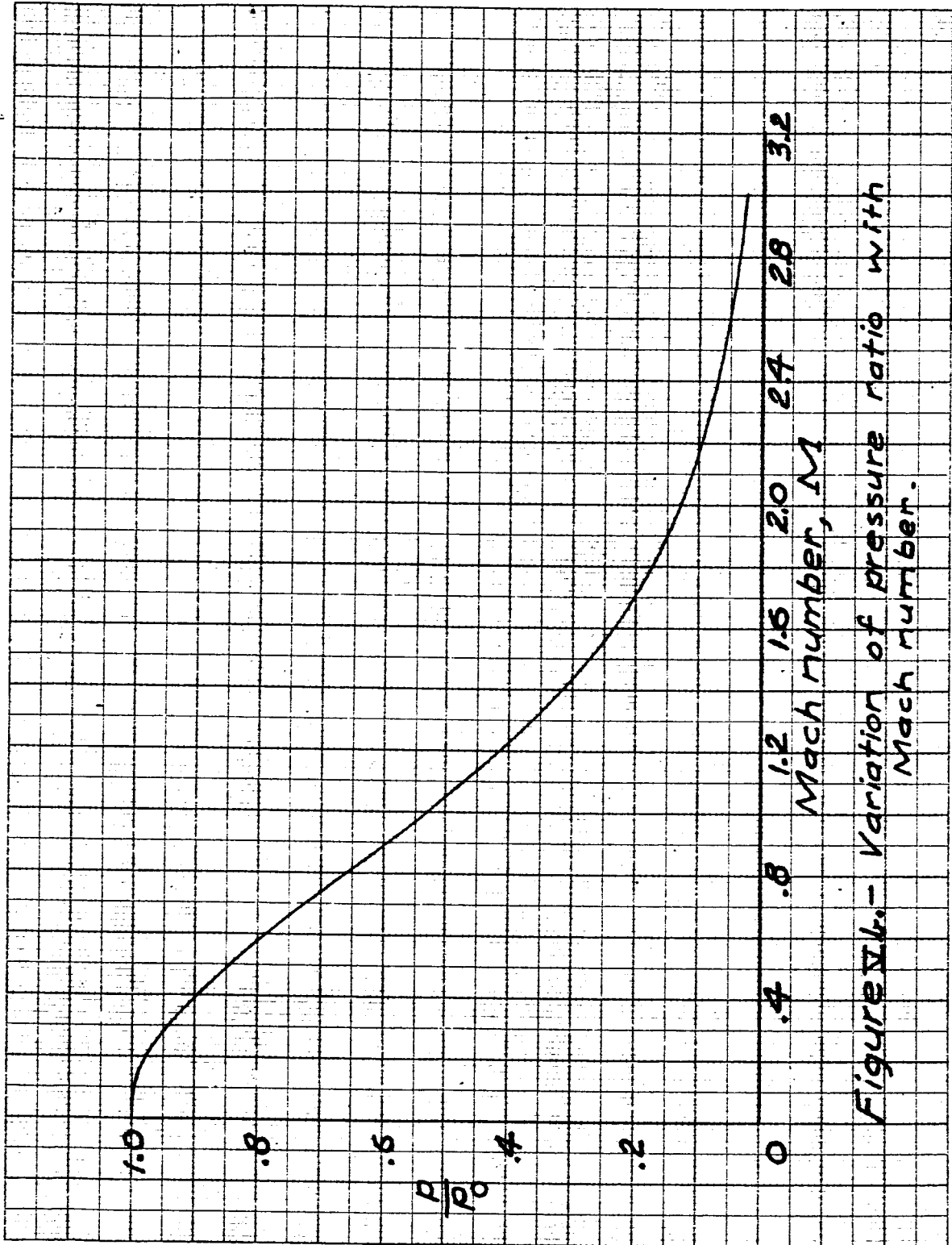
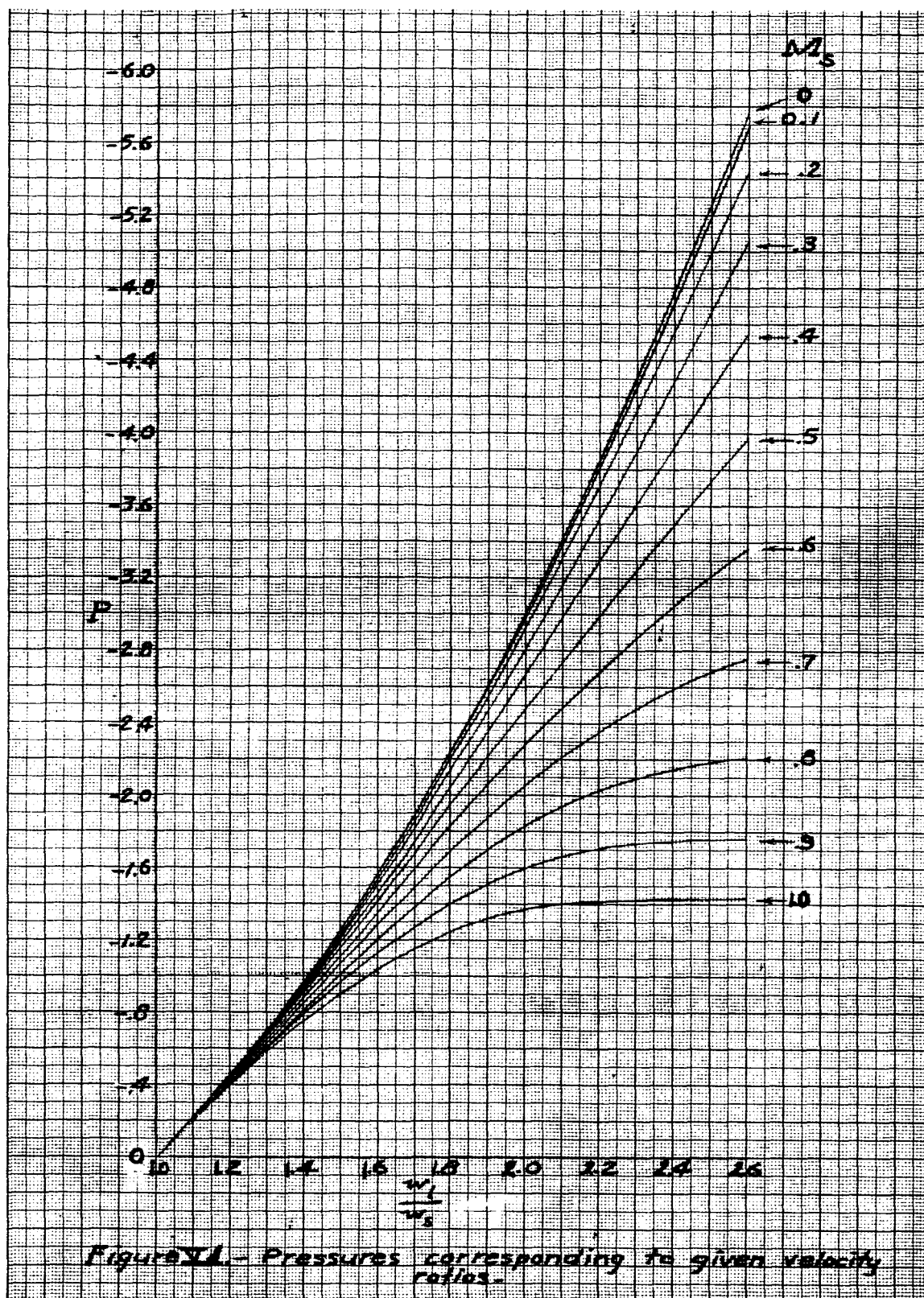


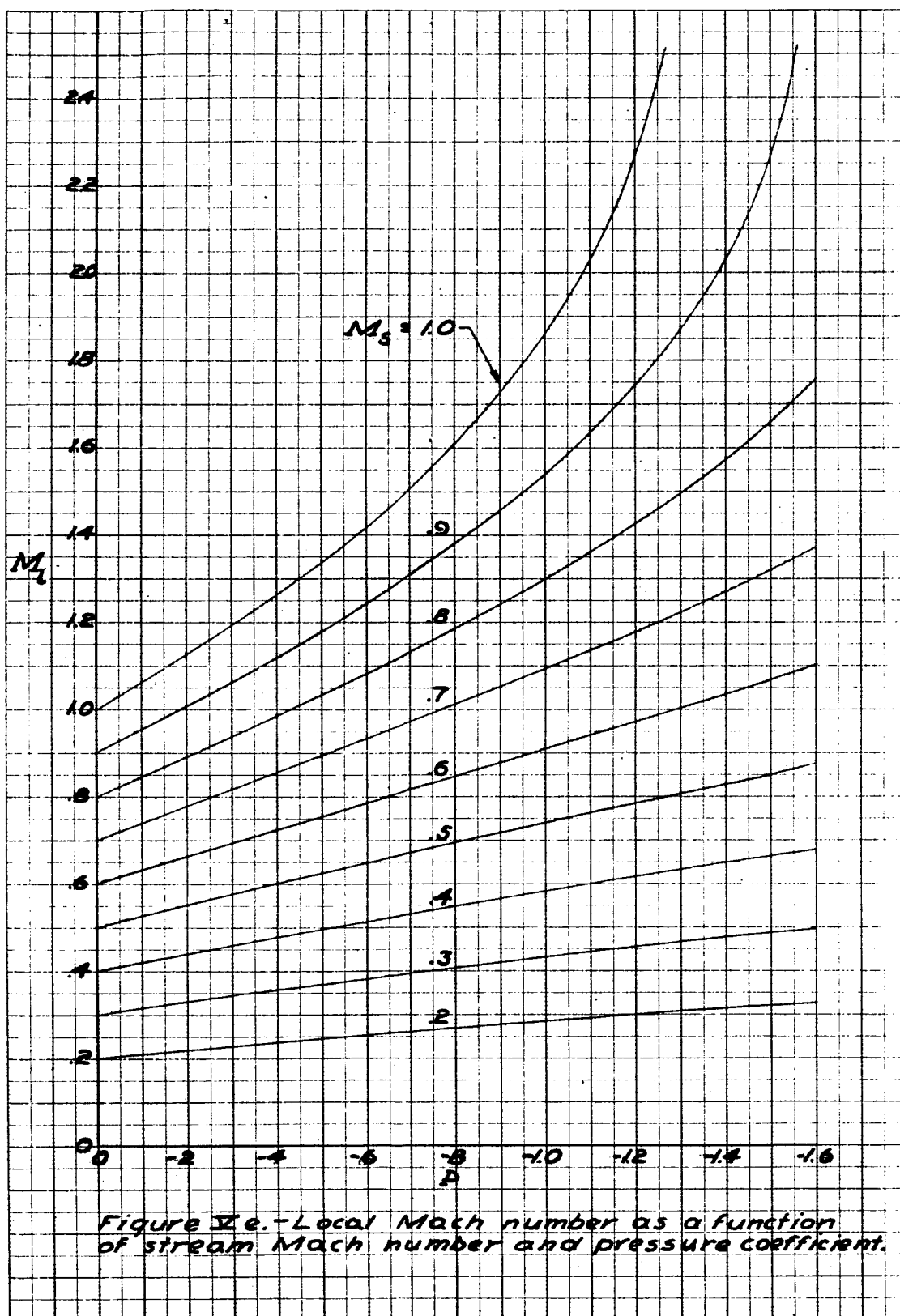
Figure IV. - Variation of pressure ratio with Mach number.

A line graph showing the relationship between the Compressibility factor (F) and the Mach number (M). The vertical axis (F) ranges from 1.00 to 1.28 with major grid lines every 0.04 units. The horizontal axis (M) ranges from 0 to 1.0 with major grid lines every 0.2 units. A smooth curve is plotted, starting at $(0, 1.00)$ and increasing as M increases.

Mach number, M	Compressibility factor, F
0.0	1.00
0.2	1.01
0.4	1.04
0.6	1.09
0.8	1.16
1.0	1.28

Figure V-6.—Compressibility factor





Equations of continuity

1. Euler's form

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} = 0$$

(a) For steady incompressible flow

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0$$

(b) For one-dimensional motion

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} + \rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$$

2. Lagrangian form (equation of continuity at time, t)

$$\rho \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(a, b, c)} = \rho_0 \quad \text{Where } \rho_0 = \text{initial density at point}$$

a, b, c (as defined under equations of motion).

(a) For an incompressible fluid

$$\frac{\partial (x, y, z)}{\partial (a, b, c)} = 1$$

3. Polar form for two-dimensional steady motion

$$\frac{\partial(\rho_{ur})}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial(\rho_{rw})}{\partial \theta} = 0; \text{ or } \frac{\partial(\rho_{ur})}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial(\rho_v)}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

4. The continuity conditions within a stream tube are defined by:

$p_{wS} = \text{constant}$ (steady-motion condition)

5. In two-dimensional steady motion, the continuity conditions at a fixed point in the flow plane are given by

$$\frac{ds}{s} + \frac{dw}{w} + \frac{dp}{p} = 0$$

hence: $\frac{dw}{w} = - \frac{dp}{p}$

$$w_t = \sqrt{\frac{dp}{d\rho}} = a_t$$

Hence the velocity at the minimum section is equal to the local velocity of sound.

1. Differential equations

2. Stream tube area ratios

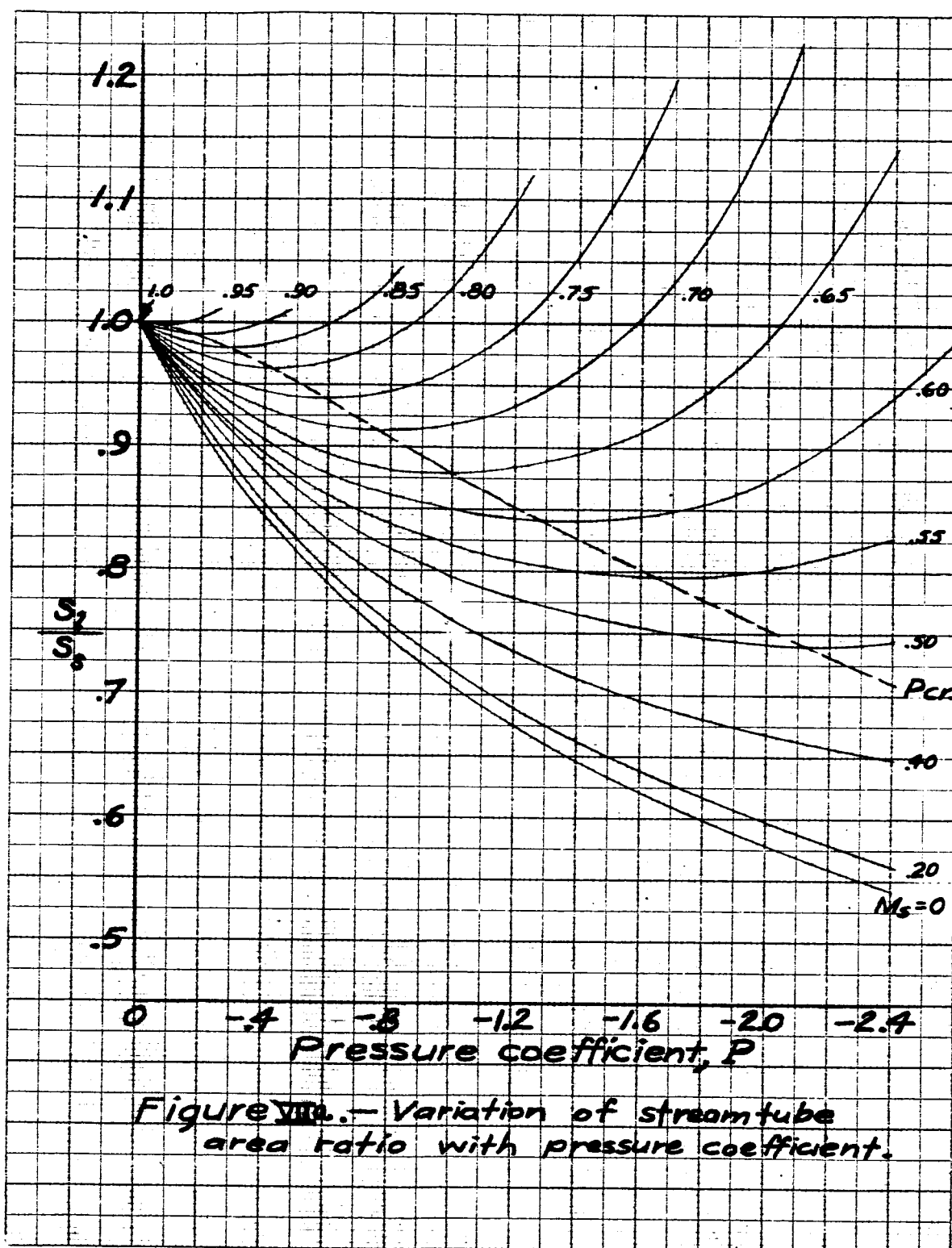
where

and

3. Mass flow per unit time through a stream tube or convergent-divergent nozzle

4. Pressure ratio for maximum mass flow

By differentiation of (3) there is obtained the condition
for maximum mass flow



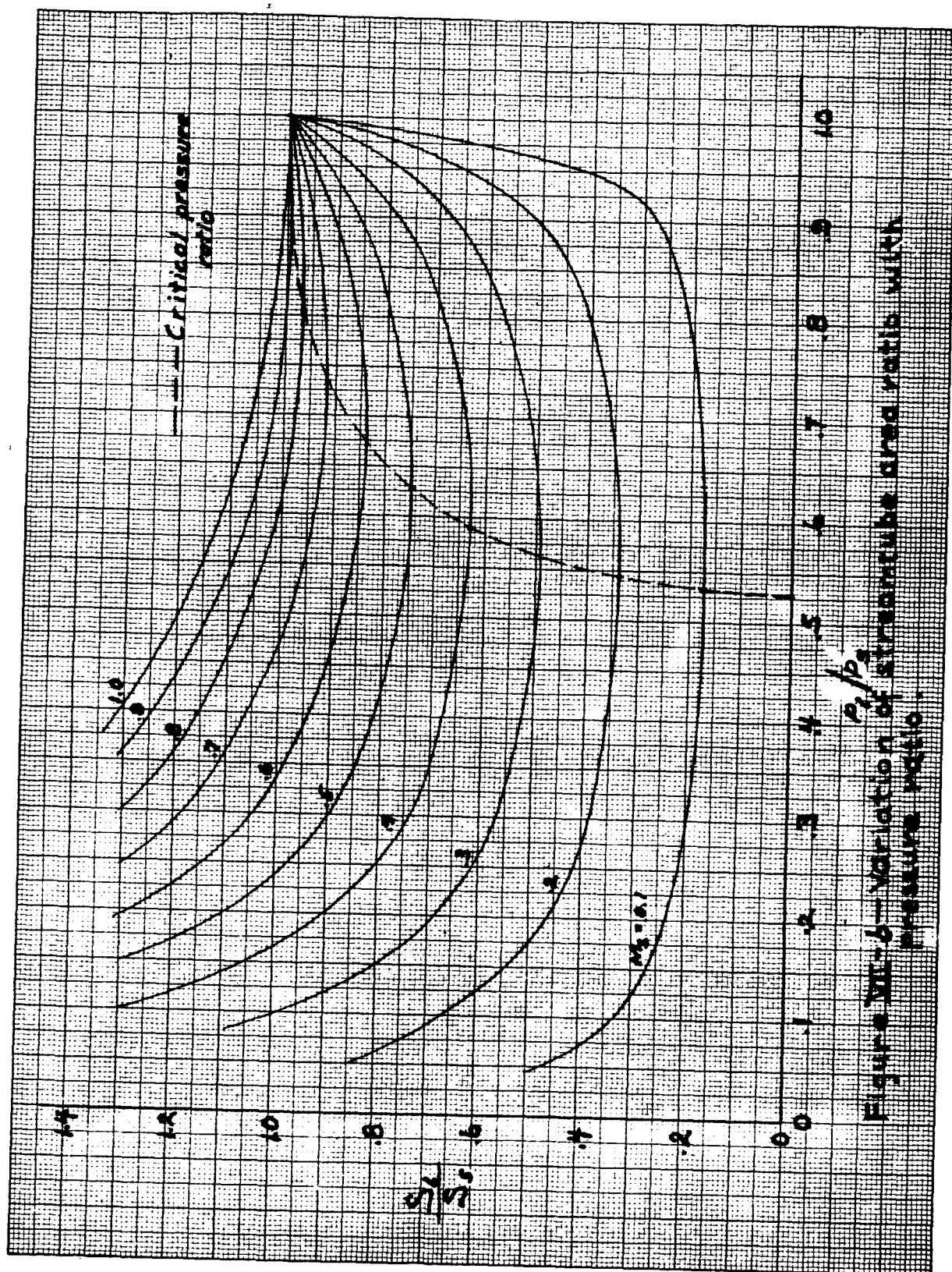


Figure VII-6—Variation of streamtube area ratio with pressure ratio.

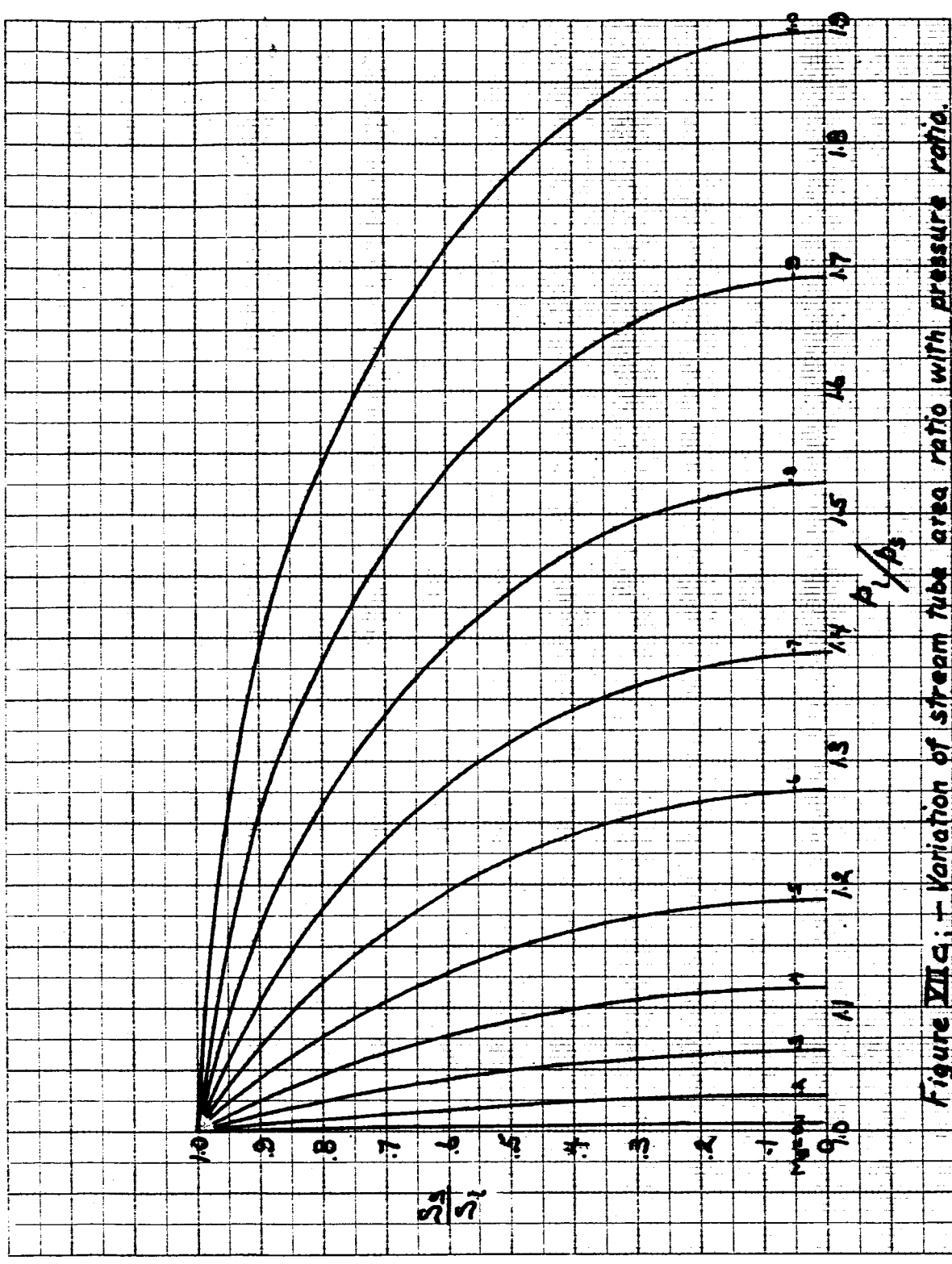


Figure VII.C: - Variation of stream tube area ratio with pressure ratio.

Pressure Coefficient (expressions for)

1. Definition

$$P = \frac{p_l - p_s}{\frac{1}{2} \rho_s w_s^2} \quad \left(= \frac{\Delta p}{q} \right)$$

2. Pressure coefficient in terms of velocity ratios

(a) Incompressible flow

$$P = 1 - \left(\frac{W_L}{W_S} \right)^2$$

(b) Compressible flow

$$P = \frac{2}{\gamma M_s^2} \left[1 - \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \left(\frac{w_l^2}{w_s^2} - 1 \right) M_s^2 \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} - \frac{2}{\gamma M_s^2}$$

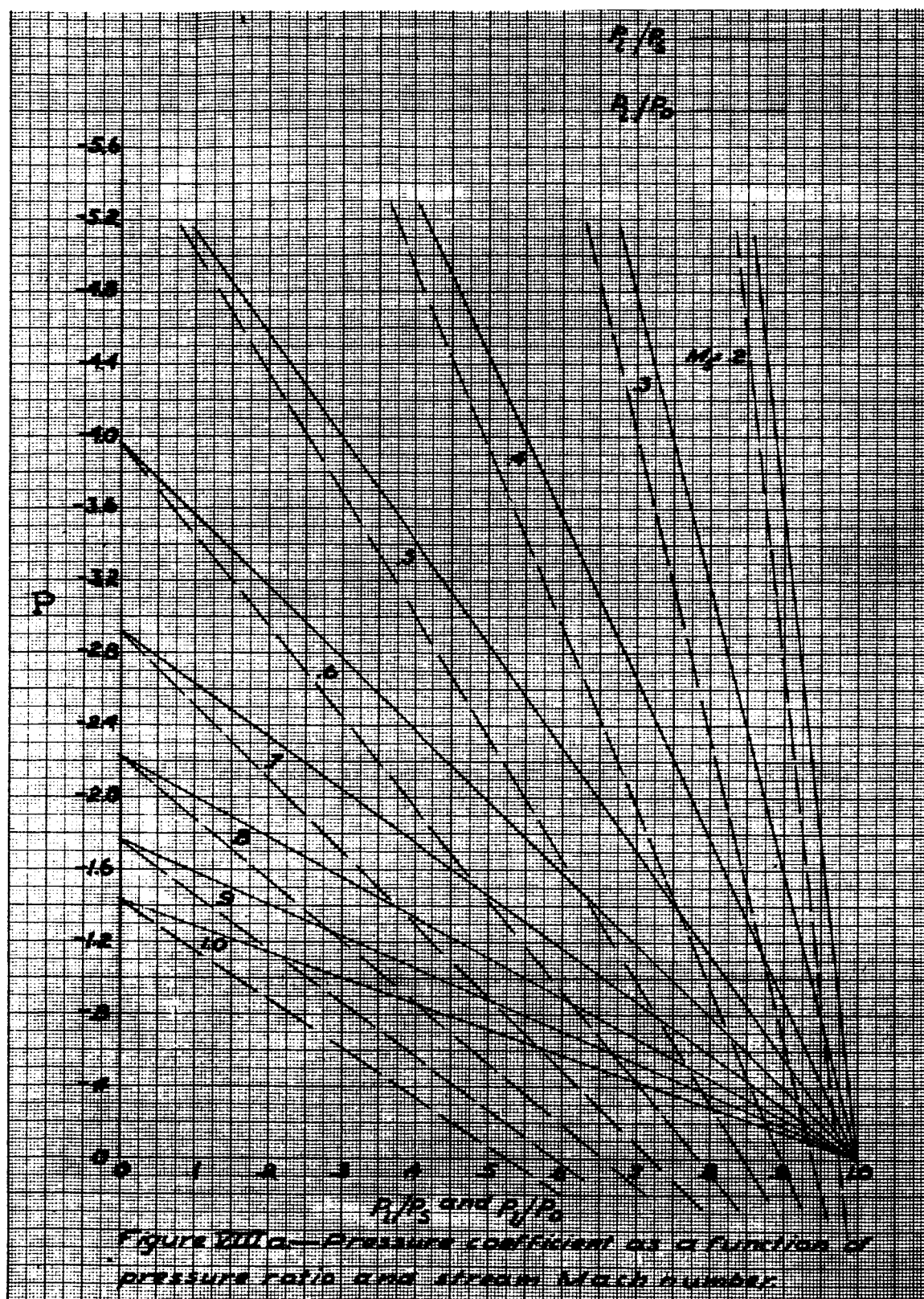
$$\text{or } P = \left[1 - \left(\frac{w_l}{w_s} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{M_s^2}{4} \left[1 - \left(\frac{w_l}{w_s} \right)^2 \right]^2 + \dots$$

3. Pressure coefficient in terms of pressure ratios

$$(a) \quad P = F_s \left[\frac{\frac{p_l}{p_o} - \frac{p_s}{p_o}}{1 - \frac{p_s}{p_o}} \right]$$

(b) In terms of local and stream pressures

$$P = \frac{2}{\gamma M_s^2} \left[\frac{p_l}{p_s} - 1 \right]$$



$$v_l \ll u_l < a_l \quad \text{or} \quad u_l \approx u_s \quad \text{and} \quad a_l \approx a_s$$

- (a) Imposing these conditions on equation 1(a) there is obtained

$$\phi_{xx}(1-M_s^2) + \phi_{yy} = 0$$

- (b) For incompressible flow in the same coordinates

$$\phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0$$

- (c) Applying the transformation $\xi = x$ and $\eta = y\sqrt{1-M^2}$ to 2(a) there is obtained $\phi_{\xi\xi} + \phi_{\eta\eta} = 0$ which is 2(b), the incompressible case. It is found that the effect of compressibility is to expand the field of flow in the ratio $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-M^2}}$ and to increase the induced velocity ratios by the same factor. Since the body is assumed thin and the induced velocities therefore small, the pressure coefficient, P , also will vary with Mach number according to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-M^2}}$

3. Equation 1(c) in polar coordinates

$$(a) \nabla^2 \phi \left[2a_s^2 - (\gamma-1)(w_L^2 - w_s^2) \right] = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \frac{\partial w_L^2}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial w_s^2}{\partial \theta}$$

4. Method of Rayleigh and Janzen

A first approximation to actual flow conditions is obtained from the incompressible case $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$. Using particular solutions of $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ of type $\phi = r^n \cos n\theta$, the right hand side of 3(a) can be calculated as a function

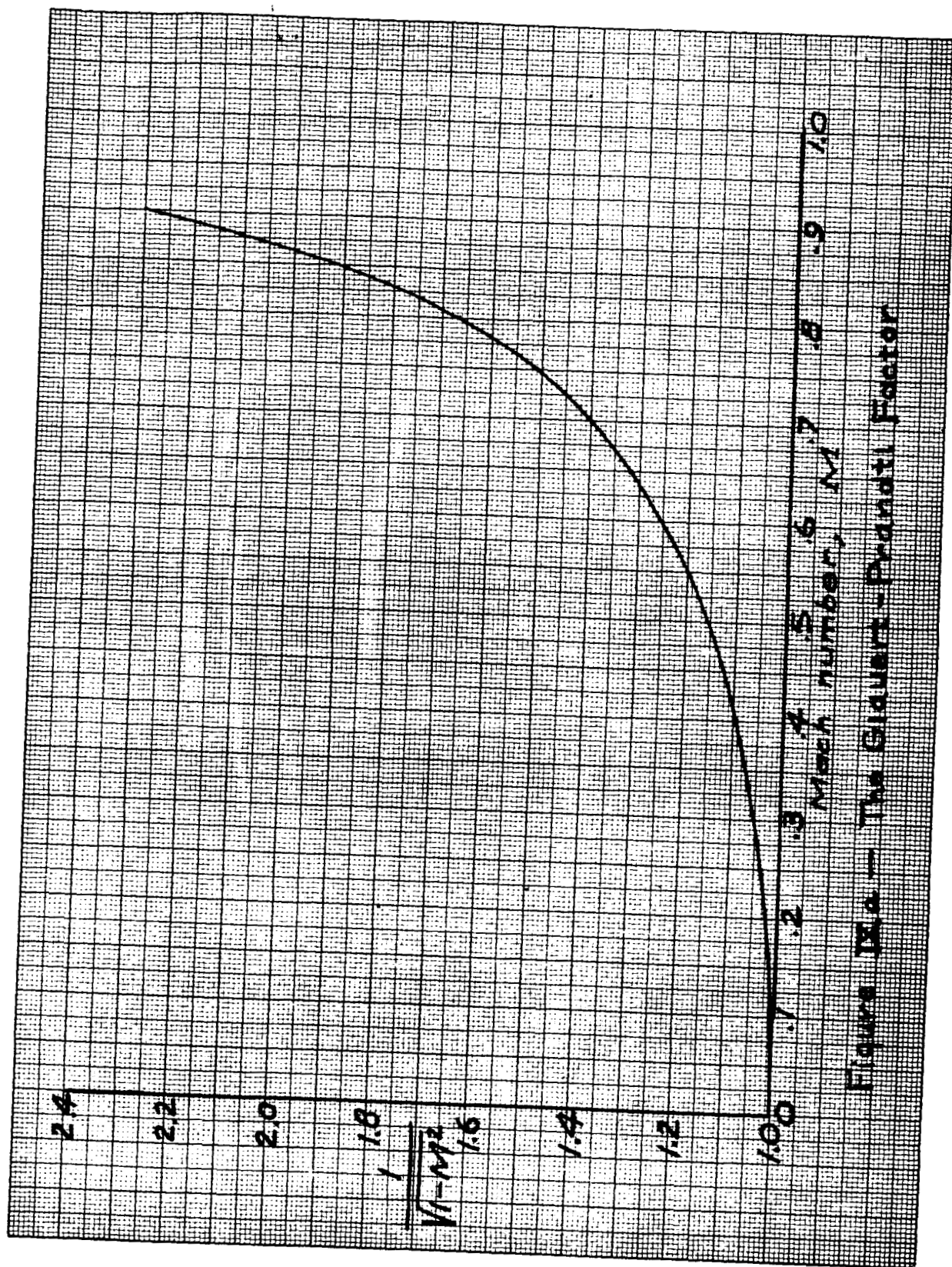


Figure IX.a — The Glauert-Prandtl Factor

1. Introduction (as given by Temple and Yarwood)

The hodograph method suffers, however, from two disadvantages: In the first place, the boundaries in the field of incompressible and compressible flow are not exactly the same. The boundaries in the compressible flow are slightly distorted by an amount increasing with the Mach number in the main stream. In the second place, the field of compressible flow is not given in a form suitable for numerical computation. The expressions

obtained for the velocity potential and stream function are exact but they are in the form of an infinite series which cannot be easily summed analytically or numerically.

2. General hodograph equations

(a) Equation obtained from expression for ϕ in the physical plane by means of the Legendre contact transformation for two independent variables

$$\chi_{vv} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{a^2} \right) + \chi_{uu} \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{a^2} \right) + 2\chi_{uv} \frac{uv}{a^2} = 0$$

where

$$\chi = x\varphi_x + y\varphi_y - \varphi$$

(b) General hodograph equations for a two-dimensional compressible gas.

From the defining expressions

$$d\varphi + i\left(\frac{\rho_0}{\rho}\right)d\psi = (u dx + v dy) + i(udy - v dx) = we^{-i\delta} dz$$

and the condition

$$\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial \delta \partial w} = \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial w \partial \delta}$$

there are obtained the general hodograph equations for a two-dimensional compressible gas

$$\varphi_w = w \left(\frac{\rho_o}{\rho w} \right)_w \psi_\delta$$

$$\varphi_6 = \left(\frac{\rho_0 w}{\rho} \right) \psi_w$$

(c) Hodograph equations for adiabatic flow
in terms of

$$\tau = \left(\frac{w}{w_m} \right)^2$$

$$2\tau(1-\tau)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} \quad \Psi_{\tau} = - \left[1 - \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \right) \tau \right] \Psi_{\delta}$$

$$(1-\tau)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} \varphi_{\delta} = 2\tau \psi_{\tau}$$

(d) Defining expressions for φ and ψ
(obtained from equation 1(c))

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left[\frac{\tau}{(1-\tau)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \tau} \right] = - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1 - \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \right) \tau}{\tau(1-\tau)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \delta^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left[\frac{\pi(1-\tau)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}}{1 - \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \right) \tau} \right] \quad \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial \tau} = - \frac{1}{4} \frac{(1-\tau)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}}{\tau} \frac{\partial^2 \pi}{\partial \theta^2}$$

3. The von Kármán solution

Simplification of 2(c) by replacing the adiabatic relation

$$\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2}\right) = \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2}\right)^{\gamma}$$

by

$$p_1 - p_2 = c \left(\frac{1}{\rho_2} - \frac{1}{\rho_1} \right)$$

It is to be noted that in 3 an approximation to the actual flow conditions is made while 4 approximates, with known accuracy, a mathematical expression of the exact solution.

The results of Temple's paper are presented in several figures, the first of which gives the value of the velocity ratio at any Mach number for a given low-speed (incompressible) velocity ratio.

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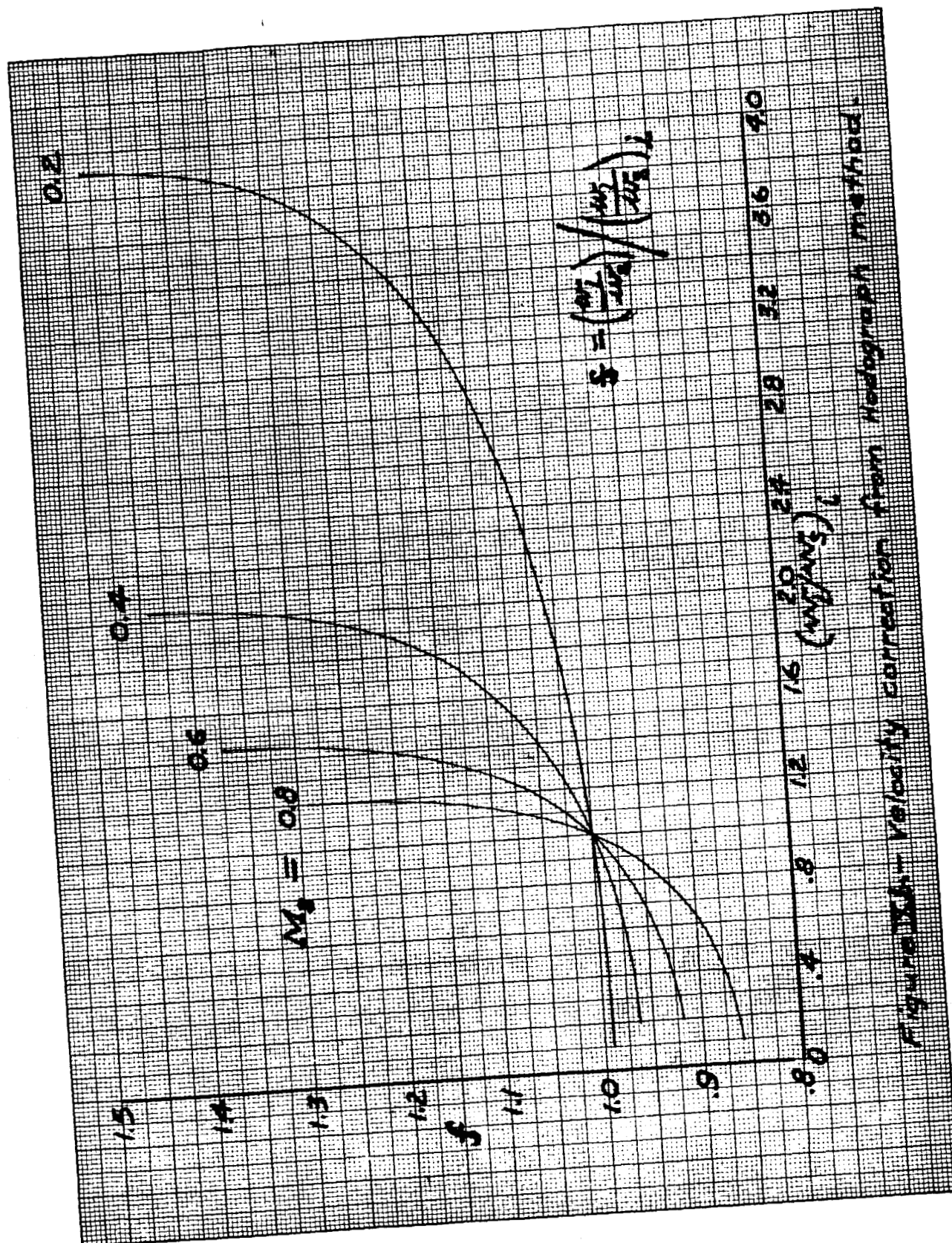
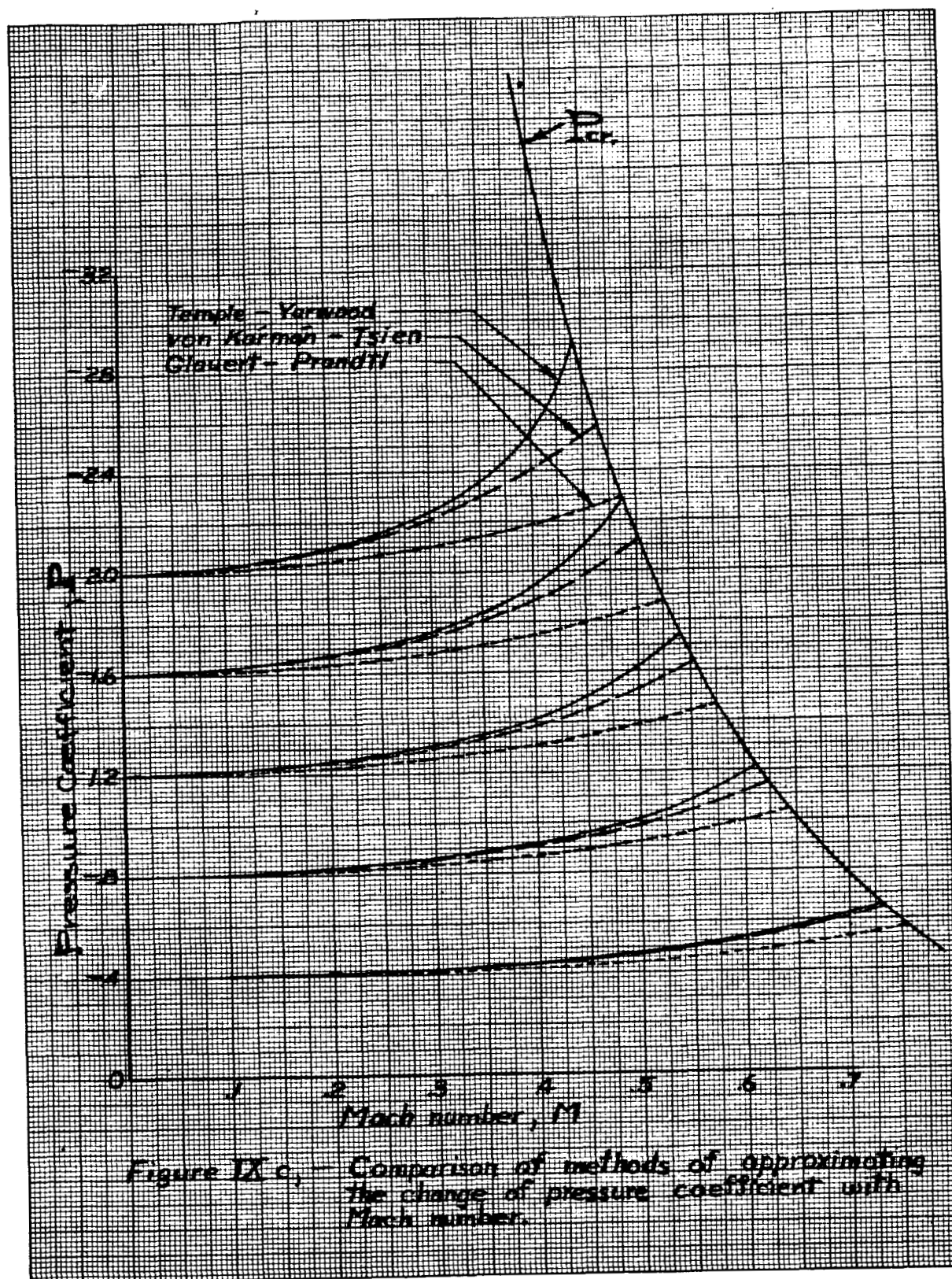


Figure 11.1 - Velocity correction from Hodograph method.



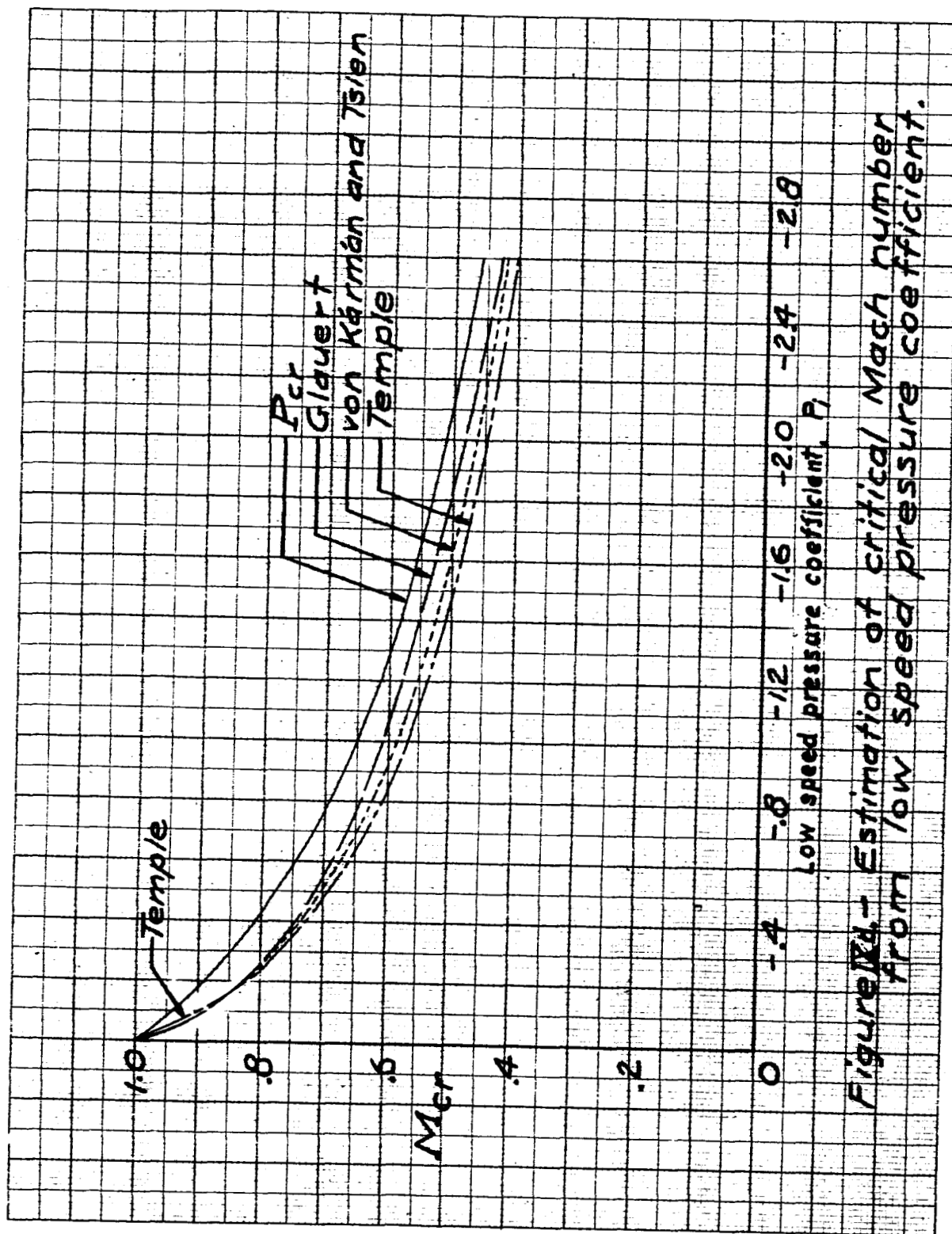


Figure 14 - Estimation of critical Mach number from low speed pressure coefficient.

In this section the enthalpy or heat content h is replaced by $i = C_p T$ and h denotes the water depth at any point; also, C_p is defined for unit weight of fluid and hence g must now be retained.

Smooth water flow with free surface over a horizontal bottom, side boundaries vertical.

(a) Equation for water

$$w^2 = 2g(h_0 - h)$$

and

$$w_m = \sqrt{2gh_o}$$

$$w^2 = 2g(i_o - i) = 2gC_p(T_o - T)$$

and

$$w_m = \sqrt{2gi_0}$$

where C_p and i , are defined for unit weight of fluid

3. Continuity considerations

(a) Equation for water

$$\frac{\partial(hu)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(hv)}{\partial y} = 0$$

(b) Equation for gas

$$\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} = 0$$

Hence for identical expressions

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \frac{h}{h_0}$$

also since for adiabatic flow

$$p_o \left(\frac{T}{T_o} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

the above conditions require $\gamma = 2$.

4. The velocity potential

(a) Differential equation for velocity potential of the water flow

$$\sigma_{xx} \left(1 - \frac{v_x^2}{gh}\right) + \sigma_{yy} \left(1 - \frac{v_y^2}{gh}\right) - 2\sigma_x \sigma_y \frac{v_{xy}}{gh} = 0$$

(b) Differential equation for velocity potential of two-dimensional compressible gas flow

$$\sigma_{xx} \left(1 - \frac{v_x^2}{a^2} \right) + \sigma_{yy} \left(1 - \frac{v_y^2}{a^2} \right) - 2\sigma_x \sigma_y \frac{v_{xy}}{a^2} = 0$$

5. The complete hydraulic analogy may be summarized as follows:

	Two-dimensional gas flow	Liquid flow with free surface in gravity field
Nature of the flow medium	Hypothetical gas with $\gamma = 2$	Incompressible fluid (e.g. water)
Side boundaries geometrically similar		Side boundary vertical, bottom horizontal
Analogous magnitudes	Velocity $\frac{w}{w_{\max}}, \frac{w}{a}$	Velocity $\frac{w}{w_{\max}}, \frac{w}{a}$
	Temp. ratio $\frac{T}{T_0}$	Water depth ratio $\frac{h}{h_0}$
	Density ratio $\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}$	Water depth ratio $\frac{h}{h_0}$
	Pressure ratio $\frac{p}{p_0}$	Square of water depth ratio $\left(\frac{h}{h_0}\right)^2$
	Pressure on the side boundary walls $\frac{p}{p_0}$	Force on the vertical walls $\frac{P}{P_0} = \left(\frac{h}{h_0}\right)^2$
	Sound velocity a	Wave velocity \sqrt{gh}
	Mach number $\frac{w}{a}$	Mach number $\frac{w}{\sqrt{gh}}$
	Subsonic flow	Streaming water
	Supersonic flow	Shooting water
	Compressive shock (right and slant)	Hydraulic jump (normal and slant)

An Electric Analogy of Two-Dimensional Compressible Flow

"Through three short notes by Riabouchinsky and Demtchenko in the Comptes Rendus of the Paris Academy, 1932, an old work by Tchapygin written in the Russian language in 1904 became known, wherein it was shown that, for the case of two-dimensional flow, the problem may, by transformation to new coordinates (rectangular or polar), be presented in such a form that a potential flow between two plates at a predetermined variable distance apart, may be represented by an electric flow in an electrolyte of variable depth. One coordinate χ will be a function of the ratio of the local velocity to the maximum (which may naturally also be written as a function of the ratio of the density to the maximum density); the other coordinate, θ , is the direction angle of the velocity of the flow, the variable distance between the two plates being a function of the first coordinate only."